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Honorable Eric R. Komitee
United States District Judge
United States District Court
Eastern District of New York
225 Cadman Plaza East
Brooklyn, New York 11201
* Via ECF *

Re: *U.S. v. Orena*; 92-cr-351 (EK) (Related: 20-cv-4548 (EK))

Dear Judge Komitee:

I represent Mr. Victor Orena, in the above-referenced case. Earlier today, the Court entered a Scheduling Order setting a status conference for December 19, 2023.

I am currently in Israel working on, among other things, cases arising from the October 7, 2023 terrorist atrocities. I am here until December 25th and will be in the field, meeting with victims, their families, and witnesses. I cannot, therefore, appear for a status conference on December 19, 2023. If the Court is inclined to reschedule the status conference within a time frame shortly after December 25th, the days on which I could not appear at present are January 4th and 9th.

Respectfully,

/s/ David I. Schoen
Counsel for Victor J. Orena

cc: AUSA Devon Lash, Esq. (Via ECF)